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MAROONED ON PENGUIN ISLAND.**Crew of Sch. Ophir Finally Rescued By a Coast Steamer.**

After being marooned for several days on the barren rocks of Penguin Island on the Labrador coast, where their fishing craft, Newfoundland sch. Ophir, laid her bones in destruction, the five members of the Ophir's crew landed at St. John's, N. F., on Thursday, on a coast steamer which had rescued them.

Aside from the weakness due to the lack of food and the nervousness born of many hours' anxious scanning of the waters for signs of possible rescue, the fishermen were but little the worse for their experience.

Sch. Ophir had been fishing on the Labrador coast and was returning to this port with her catch when she was wrecked on Penguin Island. With their little vessel driving fast toward the rocky island, the crew launched one of their dories.

Within 100 yards from shore they saw their schooner pile upon the rocks. They had barely time to jump from their dory when that, too, went the way of the larger craft. The other dories aboard the Ophir were also smashed. In the wreckage their already depleted store of provisions was lost and the men took to the rocky island in a search for means of subsistence.

Unsuccessful, three men were stationed on the shore to signal passing vessels, while the others foraged still further. This was maintained until a steamer, which had been despatched from St. John's upon the receipt of the news of the plight of the Ophir's crew, reached the island and took them off.

Depleting the North Sea.

The decrease in the quantity of fish landed at ports between the Humber and the Tyne during the past quarter, says a Scotch exchange, compared with the corresponding quarter last year, occupied the attention of the Northeastern Sea Fisheries Committee at the quarterly meeting at Scarborough recently. The chairman, W. H. S. Quintin, in moving the adoption of the report, regretted the decrease in the landings of wet fish of 145,682 cwt., to the value of £206,928, as compared with the corresponding quarter last year. They would also notice that the total catch last year was less by over 250,000 cwt., than the year before. One could not imagine that the great trawling fleets were less energetic, or that rough weather could be altogether responsible for the decrease. It almost seemed that even in those distant waters which trawling fleets now visited, the White Sea, and Faroes, and Icelandic waters, the quantity of fish was decreasing.

Mr. Moss, Grimsby, replied that the decrease in the landings was due to the depletion of the North Sea. The great bulk of the ships worked in the North Sea, and it was only the larger ones that went to distant waters. But for the large quantity of fish brought from distant waters the decrease would have been much more excessive. There was no question about the North Sea—it was almost depleted altogether, and we had to depend on distant waters. Many tons of plaice had lately been brought from the White Sea. As much as 1,500 to 2,000 boxes of plaice had been landed at one time. The North Sea plaice realized much more money than the White Sea plaice.

Nova Scotia Fishermen's Union.

The convention of the Nova Scotia Fishermen's Union closed their meetings Friday. The growth of the union during the year was very satisfactory, and prospects are encouraging for the future. Resolutions were passed, asking the government for a change in the weight of scaled fish sold by the quintal, making the standard 100 pounds, instead of 112.

Also that the legal size of No. 1 sea-packed herring be 11 inches, measuring from the nose to the fork of the tail.

That the legal size limit of lobsters caught in the coastal waters of the island of Cape Breton and the county of Antigonish be reduced to seven inches, the present limit being eight inches.

That the open season in Antigonish county for catching lobsters be the same as now exists in Cape Breton island from May 1 to July 3. The present season in Antigonish begins on the 20th of April, and closes on the 10th of July.

The present size limit of nine inches and the open season, which begins on the 15th of December and closes on the 30th of May in that part of District No. 3—from the county of Halifax to the county of Digby—is satisfactory.

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Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Norma arrived at Canso, N. S., on Wednesday.

Sch. Claudia sailed from Canso, N. S., on Wednesday.

Capt. Heyward of sch. Esperanto reports speaking sch. Harvard on Quero Bank recently.

Sch. Thomas J. Carroll has been overhauled at Green's Chelsea ship yard and is fitting for winter market fishing.

Lunenburg Fishing Notes.

Sch. Arginia is discharging a cargo of 125,000 pounds of green fish from Quero banks.

Sch. Mattawa has arrived at Canso with 1100 quintals fish and sch. Beatrice Mack with 1000 quintals, and returned to the banks after taking salt.

Schs. Alma Nelson and Hilda Boehner are fitting for fall herring trip.

Schs. Palatia and Colonia will go to Bay of Islands for cargos of salt herring for the Atlantic Fish Companies.

Schs. Lila D. Young and Maple Leaf has sailed on a fall fishing trip.

Sch. Frank H. Adams, built for Frank H. Adams, was launched last Wednesday. The craft is of the knock-about type, her dimensions being 121 feet over all, 86 feet keel, 26 1-2 feet beam and 12 1-2 feet deep. Quarters are furnished for a complement of 25 men.

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ONLY MARKET BOAT FARES.**No Offshore Trips at Boston This Morning.**

There is not an off shore fare at T wharf today, but being Saturday, the eight market boats there have more than enough fish to supply all demands. Prices hold about the same as yesterday and there is no snap to the trade.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney has her second trip of the week and has a good catch, 50,000 pounds. The other fares are small, ranging from 4000 to 17,000 pounds.

The receipts this morning in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Mattakesett, 6000 haddock, 2000 cod, 3000 hake, 2000 cusk, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Etta B., 1000 cod, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Gracie, 3000 cod, 1000 pollock.

Sch. M. Madeline, 12,000 pollock.

Sch. Little Fannie, 2,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 8000 hake.

Sch. Flavilla, 5000 haddock, 2000 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 10,000 haddock, 40,000 hake.

Sch. Thomas Brundage, 17,000 pollock.

Haddock, \$2 to \$2.25 per cwt.; large cod, \$3 to \$3.50; market, 70c to \$1; pollock, \$1 to \$1.50.

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Fought Ten-Foot Shark.

In a battle with a 10-foot shark out at sea recently, Capt. George Edson of Scituate had a narrow escape from drowning when the huge fish hauled at his nets in a desperate attempt to get away and several times almost capsized the little dory with the plucky fisherman. The fight between man and fish took place over a mile out from the harbor and lasted over an hour.

Capt. Edson went out to get his fishing nets and to see what kind of a cod catch he had made over night. The only thing in the nets was the shark and from the time the captain touched the nets the battle was on.

Sch. Gertrude Weighed Off 106,000 Pounds Cod.

Sch. Gertrude, Capt. James Vanamberg, from an eastern drifting and dory handline salt cod fishing trip, weighed off 106,000 pounds of salt cod, one of the largest fares of the season in this line of fishery. The stock was \$3200.

Herring Landed at Rockport.

Some of the herring torchers went in at Rockport yesterday morning and landed 45 barrels of herring there, probably for the freezer.

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FOUR VESSELS AT THIS PORT.**Dearth of Arrivals of Past Two Days Broken.**

A little spurt in the way of arrivals today, after the absence of any for two days, hand running, marks the closing of the fish week. One shacker, two eastern drifters and a market fare cod and haddock and beside this there is plenty of herring for bait.

Sch. Esperanto, Capt. Haywood, is in from Quero bank with a fine fare, 165,000 pounds of fresh cod and 25,000 pounds of salt cod. This is Capt. Haywood's first trip as skipper and he has made a good start.

Sch. Galatea, from eastern drifting, has a good catch, 70,000 pounds of salt cod and sch. Oliver F. Kilham, from the same line of fishing, has 50,000 pounds of salt cod.

Sch. Ingomar, Capt. Horace Wildes, of the market fishing fleet, came in last night, with her second fare thus far this season, hailing for about 50,000 pounds of fresh fish.

The torchers are still getting herring over Ipswich way and this morning they brought over about 125 barrels.

The arrivals and receipts this morning were as follows:

Today's Receipts.

Sch. Ingomar, South Channel, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Esperanto, Quero Bank, 165,000 lbs. fresh cod, 25,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Galatea, eastern drifting, 70,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Oliver F. Kilham, eastern drifting, 50,000 lbs. salt cod.

Boats and torchers, 85 bbls. fresh herring.

Sch. Pythian, eastern drifting, 50,000 lbs. salt cod.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Esther Gray, shore.

Sch. Rena A. Percy, haddock ng.

Sloop Vesta, shore.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.

Sch. Lillian, shacking.

Sch. Aspinet, haddocking.

Today's Fish Market.

Cape North salt cod, large, \$3; mediums, \$2.75.

Outside sales, fresh western cod, large, \$2, market, \$1.65; haddock, 65c and 67 1-2c.

Outside sales fresh eastern cod, large, \$1.60; medium, \$1.40.

Outside sales salt Rips cod, \$3.60 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for mediums.

Salt dory handline codfish, large, \$3.25; mediums, \$3.

Outside sales of round pollock, 60c per cwt.

Bank halibut, 10 cents per pound for white and eight cents for gray.

Flitched halibut, 8 1-4 cts. per lb.

Salt bullseyes, \$9.50 per bbl.

Salt large mackerel, late caught, rimmed, \$30 per bbl.

Salt small mackerel, \$20 per bbl.

Small fresh mackerel, 9c each.

Board of Trade prices:

Large drift Georges cod, \$3.60 per cwt.; medium cod, \$3.25.

Large halibut cod, \$3 per cwt.; medium cod, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.

Trawl salt Georges cod, large, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.

Large salt handline Georges cod, large, \$3.75; medium, \$3.25.

Dory handline salt cod, large, \$3.25; medium, \$3.

Eastern drift salt cod, large, \$3.25 per cwt.; medium, \$3.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$3 per cwt.; medium, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.

Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.

Salt pollock, \$1 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1; salt hake, \$1.

Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large, \$2 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.65; Eastern cod, large, \$1.70; medium cod, \$1.40; cusk, \$1.65 for large; \$1.20 for medium, and 50c for snappers; haddock, 65 cts.; hake, 75 cts.; pollock, 60 cts.

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Sch. Grampus Arrives Home.

The fish commission sch. Gramus, which has been on a mackerel research cruise at North Bay, under direction of Capt. Jerry Cook, arrived home during the night. This will probably end the work of the craft in this line for the season.

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MACKEREL STILL FOUND IN BAY.

Steamer A. B. Nickerson Made Haul of 60 Bbls. off Race Point Yesterday.

Fish Averaged Weight of One and One-Half Pounds Each.

That there is quite a body of mackerel in Massachusetts Bay is shown by the fact that the steamer Angella B. Nickerson made a haul on the Shoal ground, off Race Point, Sunday, taking about 60 barrels of fish, which went about a pound and a half each.

The Nickerson went into Provincetown late yesterday afternoon, landed her catch fresh, and sailed again for the fishing grounds which are only a short distance from Provincetown, being about six miles north-northwest of Race Point.

The captain of the Nickerson reported that there seemed to be some fish there all right, but they did not seem to be very easy to catch, the down east steamer Elthier, Capt. John S. Seavey, setting three times and missing them. He also reports that schs. Speculator and Nellie Dixon, which were a little ways to the northward of him, were on fish, but he could not say whether or no they stopped any up to the time he started for Provincetown, about 2 o'clock.

Seiners Missed Schools.

Saturday night there were some fish showing on the Shoal ground. During the day the steamer Angella B. Nickerson, Speculator and Nellie Dixon set at schools, but missed them. Late in the afternoon, the Speculator raised some fish alongside, on the jigs and set around and evidently got some.

This morning word was received here from Newport which shows that there is still a good body of mackerel out around the South Shoal lightship, as a wireless message from the lightship to the Newport fish people yesterday stated that good schools were seen all day yesterday in the vicinity of the ship.

Raise Fish Off East Point, P. I. E.

A letter from North Bay dated Thursday states that but six of the fleet are now fishing off East Point. They were in a week ago Sunday and sailed again Tuesday. Their skippers reported that they could raise mackerel almost anywhere in the vicinity.

Sch. Veda M. McKown was at Port Morien, N. S., on Thursday.

The Yarmouth, N. S., steamer which arrived at Boston yesterday, brought 375 barrels of fresh mackerel, caught recently in the traps and by boats in that vicinity.

Saturday morning the netters along Cape Cod sent up 10 barrels of small mackerel to the Boston market, and 96 barrels of large mackerel were received from the fishermen in the provinces by the Yarmouth steamer.

The following table shows the catch of salt and fresh mackerel by the New England fleet to October 8 of the present year and to the same date for the past five years:

	Salt Bbls.	Fresh Bbls.
1909	15,709	46,234
1908	19,147	47,249
1907	30,740	52,140
1906	9,616	33,880
1905	28,858	48,275
1904	28,189	46,627

The following table gives the imports of salt and fresh mackerel at Boston to October 8 of the present year, and to the same date for the past five years:

	Salt Bbls.	Fresh Bbls.
1909	11,905	7,278
1908	26,864	10,446
1907	11,361	5,715
1906	21,500	16,811
1905	13,792	7,085
1904	12,523	5,218

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Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Minnie M. Cook and Crofton McLeod, from Sandy Point, N. F., with cargoes of pickled herring arrived at Halifax, N. S., Friday.

Sch. Athlon and Cedilia were at Halifax, N. S., on Friday, the former from Sandy Point, N. F., and the latter from Channel, N. F., with cargoes of pickled herring.

Sch. Norma sailed from Canso, N. S., for the Banks, Thursday last.

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GOOD FISHING ON QUERO BANK.

Incoming Vessels Still Bring Fine Catches.

A few good fares have reached here since last report, but arrivals as far as numbers are concerned are still few. As there has been over 3,000,000 pounds of salt cod in since the first of the month, the temporary let-up is not at all disturbing, especially as each incoming craft from Quero bank brings the report of squid and continued good fishing.

Saturday afternoon, sch. Pythian, Capt. Amero, arrived from an eastern drifting trip, having been out only a short time with a fine catch, 65,000 pounds of salt cod. He reported good fishing on Quero and squid still there.

Yesterday, sch. Natalie J. Nelson, Capt. Albert Larkin, came in from Quero Bank with a full fare, hailing for 140,000 pounds of fresh cod and 40,000 pounds of salt cod. The kind of fishing he was on is told by the fact that the last day's fishing produced 35,000 pounds. Capt. Larkin reports sch. Rex fishing in that vicinity.

Sch. Conqueror, Capt. Robertson Giffin came in during the night with a big catch, having been out but three weeks, hailing for 35,000 pounds of salt cod, and 145,000 pounds fresh cod.

The sloop Azorean is in with 7000 pounds of pollock and yesterday two of the small boats had about 12,000 pounds of these fish.

Sch. Rushlight is here from Jonesport, Me., with scaled herring and cured fish.

The arrivals and receipts in detail since Saturday noon are:

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Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, Quero Bank, 140,000 pounds fresh cod, 40,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Conqueror, Quero Bank, 145,000 lbs. fresh cod, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sloop Azorean, shore, 7000 lbs. pollock.

Boats and torchers, 165 bbls. fresh herring.

Sch. Rushlight, Jonesport, Me., 3000 boxes and 25 tons of smoked scaled herring and 700 quintals cured fish.

Boats, shore, 15,000 lbs. pollock.

Sch. Olympia, eastern drifting, 70,000 lbs. salt cod.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, haddocking.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, Boston.

Sch. James and Esther, haddocking.

Sch. Grace Otis, haddocking.

Sch. Florida, shore.

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Salt pollock, \$1 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1; salt hake, \$1.

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Latest Newfoundland Fisheries Intelligence.

St. Mary's—Squid plenty; dories one to one and one-half quintal each.

Bonne Bay—Skiffs average 1000 pounds codfish today; squid plenty; weather fine.

Port au Basques—Boats recently one to two quintals; squid bait.

Nipper's Harbor—Wind N. N. W., strong, fine; sch. Bessie arrived from French shore with 100 quintals, this being her second trip.

Pilley's Island—Sch. John Earle arrived from Labrador recently with about 350 quintals; fishery around here very poor.

Hant's Harbor—Grant's schooner from Trinity arrived yesterday with 28 planters for here from the Straits; they did fairly well.

Bonne Bay—Skiffs 2000 to 3000 lbs. fresh fish daily; squid plenty.

La Poile—Stormy! few boats out.

Lawn—No fish Saturday; squid plenty.

Nipper's Harbor—Nancy M. arrived from French shore with 100 qtls. fish, being her second trip; reports fish scarce.

Brigus—Boats from 1-2 to 1 qtl. on Saturday.

Fortune—Small catches fish with hook and line.

St. Mary's—Squid plenty; dories 1 to 1 1-2 qtls.; boats 5 to 20 qtls. during past week.

Carbonear—Hook and line—1-2 to 1 qtl. per boat.

Fish still continues fairly plentiful at Blackhead and on days when it is fine enough for the men to go out, they secure good catches. A few days ago a large iceberg grounded at the Narrows there, but afterwards drifted in, and striking a number of boats at the "Collars," did considerable damage. Six of the boats were overturned, and all the gear which they contained went to bottom. Two of them were broken in pieces, but others were saved, although the fishing gear was lost.

There are a number of bankers from Burin, Belleoram, Grand Bank and Fortune, fishing between Battle Harbor and the White Bears, all of which are doing well, taking from 30 to 100 quintals per day on fresh iced squid. The llyvers, however, are unable to get any fish, as they have no fresh squid.

Several vessels have arrived at Carbonear during the past few days from Labrador, with only small cargoes of fish.

Schs. Gladys C., Annie H. J. and Humming Bird were reported a few days ago off Mackovik coming south with full cargoes of fish.

Took Two Swordfish in Dories.

Swordfish are not yet entirely gone from the sea in the vicinity of the fishing grounds as was proved by the two brought in at Boston yesterday morning, one on sch. Mary C. Santos, and the other on sch. Quonnapowitt. Both fish were taken by men in dories without the use of the lly iron, and put up quite a fight until the men succeeded in holding them under water long enough to drown them.

The fish on sch. Mary C. Santos was taken by Albert Roderick and John Silva. The two men were out in their dory with the other men of the crew on the Channel grounds, about 60 miles off Highland light. They had pulled in some of their trawls, and had partly got another in and the fish off it, when the man who was handling the trawl felt a mighty tug on it that nearly took him off his feet.

His dory mate came to his assistance and they pulled up the trawl far enough to see a big swordfish caught on one of the hooks. The fish was fighting to get away and the two men had to humor him until they got him tired, and then held him under water until he was lifeless. To get the fish into the dory with their other fish was a work of no small amount of care and labor. The big fish was finally got to the side of the schooner and taken on board. The next morning the fish, which weighed 510 pounds, was sold in the big market at 19 cents a pound, which brought its price up to nearly \$100.

The swordfish on sch. Quonnapowitt was not as large as that on sch. Mary C. Santos, and weighed 244 pounds. The weight of each fish is given as taken after they had been cleaned. This fish got itself tangled up in one of the trawls. It did not give up easily, and floundered about on the surface of the water until it had wound the entire trawl line about its body and tail, rendering itself helpless.

Nova Scotia Fish Movements.

Digby—Cod, haddock and hake plenty; no herring.

Lockport—Herring plenty; cod and haddock fair; very few mackerel reported today.

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Liverpool—Haddock very plenty; cod and haddock plenty; mackerel fair; four barrels in nets.

Lunenburg—Cod fair; few mackerel; dogfish troublesome.

Salmon River—Cod and haddock fair; few halibut and mackerel.

Isaac's Harbor—Good catches of cod and halibut reported.

Whitehead—Cod and squid fair; haddock scarce.

Petit-de-Grat—Few mackerel taken.

Descousse—Few cod and mackerel going.

Port Daniel—Cod and squid fair.

Newport Point—Cod plenty; squid fair.

St. Adelaide de Pabos—Cod fair; smelts plenty; herring scarce.

Perce—Cod and herring fair.

Point St. Peter—Cod, herring and squid fair.

Douglstown—Herring very plenty; cod plenty.

Sandy Beach—Cod very plenty; bait plenty.

PLENTY OF FISH AT T WHARF.

Lively Monday Morning Market Gives Good Prices.

With a big fleet of 33 vessels at T wharf this morning, bringing more than 900,000 pounds of fresh fish, the Boston fish dealers have all the goods they want, even for a lively Monday morning market. Haddock and cod are bringing good prices, but hake and pollock are off.

Many of the crafts have good substantial fares ranging from 40,000 pounds to 61,000 pounds, which latter goes to the credit of sch. Terra Nova. Among the big trip chaps are schs. John J. Fallon, Seaconnet, George H. Lubee, Jessie Costa, Richard J. Nunan, Topsall Girl, and Josie and Phebe. The other crafts have from 5000 to 35,000 pounds.

The vessels have quite a lot of pollock and hake, and these kinds are now finding their usual price level at this season of the year, after having figured at good market prices for quite a little while. There are about 125,000 pounds of pollock and 32,000 pounds of hake included in the receipts.

Sch. Seaconnet had one lone swordfish, which will come pretty near being the last of the season. It brought 19 cents per pound.

Capt. Pendleton of sch. Motor, who was near the head of the list of the swordfishermen this year, was at T wharf Saturday morning. He said that in the five trips he made for swordfish between June 4 and Sept. 27, he got 278 fish. His largest catch was 104, and his smallest 30. The vessel stocked during the season \$6100, which was about \$1000 more than her best stock of former years. While the vessel made a larger stock than before, because she had more men aboard to divide the profits, the men did not get quite as much as last year, each one receiving this year \$375.

According to the Boston fish bureau report, 117 vessels brought fish to T wharf the past week. Their combined catch, which amounted to 3,092,500 pounds, was one of the largest received at T wharf for some months. Last year in the same week there were 87 vessels came to the wharf with 2,004,800 pounds.

The receipts this morning are as follows:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton.

Sch. Julietta, 6000 haddock, 3500 cod, 3500 pollock.

Sch. Gladys and Sabra, 7000 pollock.

Sch. Harvester, 10,000 haddock, 2500 cod, 6000 hake, 5000 pollock.

Sch. John J. Fallon, 50,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.

Sch. Terra Nova, 35,000 haddock, 16,000 cod, 10,000 hake.

Sch. Emerald, 3500 haddock, 12,000 cod, 6000 hake, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, 11,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 15,000 hake, 1000 cusk, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Priscilla, 14,000 pollock.

Sch. Seaconnet, 19,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 30,000 hake.

Sch. George H. Lubee, 3500 haddock, 2500 cod, 45,000 hake.

Sch. Minerva, 2800 haddock, 3800 cod, 14,000 hake, 2000 cusk 2000 pollock.

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Sch. Annie and Jennie, 3400 haddock, 1500 cod, 11,000 hake.

Sch. Valentina, 18,000 pollock.

Sch. Marguerite S. McKenzie, 2000 cod, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Geraldine, 4000 cod, 2800 pollock.

Sch. Jessie Costa, 20,000 haddock, 26,000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 11,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 2000 hake, 7000 pollock.

Sch. Ellen C. Burke, 3000 haddock, 4000 cod, 20,000 hake, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Stranger, 8000 haddock, 2000 cod, 15,000 hake.

Sch. Alcina, 2000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 6000 pollock.

Sch. Lydia, 4000 haddock, 1000 hake.

Sch. Richard J. Nunan, 12,000 haddock, 2500 cod, 30,000 hake.

Sch. Topsall Girl, 2000 cod, 50,000 hake.

Sch. Laura Enos, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Jennie H. Gilbert, 17,000 pollock.

Sch. Philip P. Manta.

Sch. Maxwell, 1000 cod, 6500 pollock.

Sch. Massasoit, 3000 cod, 1000 hake, 12,000 pollock.

Sch. Edmund F. Black, 2500 haddock, 2500 cod, 25,000 hake.

Sch. Josie and Phebe, 40,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 8000 hake.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, 2000 haddock, 500 cod, 20,000 hake.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, 8000 pollock.

Haddock, \$2.25 to \$2.75 per cwt.; large cod, \$4 to \$4.25; market cod, \$2 to \$2.50; hake, 75 cts. to 90 cts.; pollock, 75 cts.; cusk, \$2; swordfish, 19 cts. per lb.

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Portland Fish Notes.

Fish receipts continue liberal and the local dealers have more than they can readily dispose of. Nearly 75,000 pounds were brought in here Friday by the schooners Katie L. Palmer, Angie B. Watson and Edmund F. Black. The two latter did not sell and will take their fares to Gloucester.

Lobster Wardens Hanna and Snow made a short cruise down the bay Friday, only being gone two or three hours, but were out long enough to gather in 180 shorts at and around Chebeague Island, one party being caught and held. Lobsters are more plenty along the coast than they have been for years, and it would seem as though money enough could be made by the fishermen legitimately without handling shorts.

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SCH. SPECULATOR GOT MACKEREL

Capt. McKay Considers Prospects Good and Will Return to Cape Cod.

Largest Run For Years Along Nova Scotia Coast.

According to the latest reports, the fall strike of mackerel on the Cape Shore is one of the largest the Nova Scotia fishermen have had the good luck to run up against for many years and dispatches from Halifax tell of unusually good hauls, considerable of the fish being landed fresh and shipped to the Boston market. Beside this, sch. Speculator, Capt. Rufus McKay, is at this port today with large and medium salt mackerel taken off Race Point, and her captain thinks so well of the outlook there that he is going to hustle right out again.

Sch. Speculator arrived here last night from off Cape Cod, with 38 barrels of large salt mackerel and 22 barrels of salt medium mackerel, all late caught. The large fish, as previously reported in the Times, were taken late last week down off Orleans, Cape Cod, and Capt. McKay says they are the largest fish he ever saw. The medium fish were caught Saturday and Sunday on the Shoal ground off Race Point. Capt. McKay thinks there are some fish still over that way, and that there is a good chance for another catch, with any kind of good weather, so he intends to fit right out again for another trip.

Large Receipts from Nova Scotia.

A Halifax, N. S., dispatch of last night says:

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"The fall run of mackerel along the Nova Scotia coast is the greatest in years, and the fishermen are reaping a harvest. It is estimated that within the past few days, 300,000 fish have been taken. The mackerel are all very large. About 15,000 fish have been shipped in ice to Boston and will be landed on Monday."

The Boston Fish Bureau reports this morning that 1270 barrels of fresh mackerel are due at Boston today from Nova Scotia. This would tend to confirm the report of recent big catches on the Nova Scotia coast.

The Boston market was almost swamped with mackerel yesterday morning. The dealers, having learned last week the mackerel had begun to school again off the Nova Scotia coast, were prepared for a large consignment on the Halifax and Yarmouth steamers, but when it became known that were 388 barrels of large mackerel on the Yarmouth steamer and 409 barrels on the Halifax steamer, the dealers were astounded and their surprise was further excited when reports from the cape and other places came in with the announcement that there were 68 barrels of small mackerel coming for the Boston market.

Beside the mackerel the fishermen in the provinces sent up two swordfish and seven large albicore, one of which weighed 520 pounds.

The catch of steamer A. B. Nickerson, landed at Provincetown Sunday, was shipped to the Boston market.

Steady Demand for Salt Mackerel.

There is a steady demand for mackerel, but the supplies are not large. It is believed that the market will absorb the receipts from now on without any material change in prices. Thomas Woodward & Son of New York say:

"There is a good inquiry for Irish mackerel counting 300 to 325, but the late-caught fish are much smaller than this, running 400 to 450. The proportion of small mackerel in the Norways this year will not be as great as in the past two seasons; therefore the general opinion is that prices will hold up on Nos. 3 and 4, and will also make a better demand for Irish."

A dispatch from Dingle says: "About 90,000 mackerel were landed and cured here last week. These fish were small sized, and will count about 420 fish to a packed barrel."

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Found Men Fishing in Harbor With Nets.

It having been frequently said that foreigners were catching fish in the outer harbor nights with nets, Chief of Police Sullivan and Officer Sheehan took a quiet trip out in the police boat Friday night to investigate, and found as they suspected, 20 large boats manned by Greeks and Italians, dragging fish of all kinds with nets. Chief Sullivan politely but officially gave them the opportunity to quit their fishing or come up to the police station. All the boats took the chiefs advice and skipped for home, very glad to escape arrest and possibly imprisonment.

Herring came into the inner harbor so on Friday that the basin was fairly choked up with fish which we are glad to say went off with the next tide.

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ESCAPED WATERSPOUT.

Fishing Schooner Near By But Was Not Damaged.

An immense water spout was sighted about 45 miles off the Newfoundland coast on October 3 by the fishing schooner Cedella, which arrived at Halifax, N. S., today from Port au Basque, N. F.

The captain of the vessel said that the clouds were dark and heavy and appeared to be scarcely a quarter of a mile above the vessel when suddenly a great volume of water fell a short distance away.

The captain described it as having the appearance of being poured from a huge funnel in the clouds, and as it struck the ocean it looked like an enormous waterfall. The spray was thrown 200 feet distant and a whirlpool was formed in the sea. The vessel was far enough distant to escape damage.

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Fish Are Short Sighted.

All fish and other creatures that live below the surface of the water are short-sighted. Of what use to them would long sight be, when at a comparatively shallow depth the range of vision is limited, from lack of light, to only a few yards. The result is that the crystalline lens of a fish's eye is bulged to an almost spherical shape, and the fish must live in a world of surprises, seeing things loom up suddenly, as out of a fog. The nets we stretch for them would hardly take the fish, at least in daylight, if they could see as we do in air.

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SCH. JOHN R. BRADLEY HOME.

Craft Which Took Dr. Cook on His Polar Expedition.

Perhaps the most notable arrival at this port for some time, not because she has a big trip of fish and is the first craft home of the salt trawl bank codfishing fleet with a second fare this season, is sch. John R. Bradley, with which craft the name and fame of Dr. Cook, the discoverer of the North Pole, is and always will be connected as long as history shall be read.

The sch. is the vessel which John R. Bradley of New York bought at this port of the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company, and which he and Dr. Cook fitted out so completely and unostentatiously here for her Arctic trip, and in whose cabin the plans and details of the polar expedition and dash for the "Big Nail" were worked out, even before she left here on the memorable July.

Famed has been the name of many a good Gloucester fishing vessel, but the name of sch. John R. Bradley will always be linked with the greatest geographical discovery of the ages, the conquest of the North Pole.

Capt. Peter Porthier and his crew feel pretty proud of their craft, and in every Nova Scotia port they visited after the news of Dr. Cook's discovery of the pole became known, the

vessel was the object of the greatest interest. The craft has a fine trip, hauling for 275,000 pounds of salt cod and will make a fine stock.

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Florida Fisheries.

E. Dana Durand, director of the United States Census Bureau, in his preliminary report of Florida fisheries for the year ending December 31, 1908, shows that the value of the total product was \$3,388,690. Independent fishermen in that state number 3288 and independent fishermen 5924. Vessels number 327, valued at \$618,674; outfit (bait, fuel, provisions, etc.), \$277,740; boats, 5702, \$575,052; apparatus of capture, \$325,780; 2640 gill nets, \$144,688; 702 seines, \$68,460; sponge apparatus, \$76,440; tongs, rakes, etc., \$6620; 140 trammel nets, \$7200; miscellaneous, \$16,260; shore and accessory property, \$468,670; cash capital, \$199,610.

Products: black bass, 1,070,400 lbs., value \$58,500; bluefish, 915,800 lbs., \$45,030; bream or sunfish, 1,433,000 lbs., \$45,590; catfish, 1,480,800 lbs., \$53,570; channel bass or redfish, 1,299,490 lbs., \$33,3330; crevalle, 1,434,700 lbs., \$24,020; groupers, 1,275,800 lbs., \$34,220; mullet, 24,716,300 lbs., \$652,030; pompano, 507,700 lbs., \$652,030; sailor's choice, 1,256,900 lbs., \$31,790; shad, 2,836,200 lbs., \$319,800; sheephead, 1,570,800 lbs., \$38,100; red snappers, 7,718,900 lbs., \$434,060; Spanish mackerel, 2,647,400 lbs., \$122,330; squeteague or trout, 4,864,100 lbs., \$196,350; sponges, 652,500 lbs., \$544,880; alligator hides, 50,900 lbs., \$48,230; miscellaneous fish oil, skins, etc., \$329,380.